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## METHODS OF REDUCING SKIN IRRITATION ASSOCIATED WITH SHAVING

Abstract

Methods for reducing skin irritation associated with shaving (i.e., before, during, and/or after shaving) using compositions including a lower alcohol and water in a weight ratio of about 20:80 to 100:0, between at least 0.5% and 8.0% by weight thickener system comprised of at least one emulsifier, each emulsifier present in at least 0.05% by weight wherein the composition free of auxiliary thickeners has a viscosity of at least 4,000 centipoise at 23 degrees C.

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